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Mr. G. N. Nelson SOHIO Petroleum Company Pouch 6-612 Anchorage, Alaska 99502

Dear Mr. Nelson:

As you know, the federal requirements for the prevention of significant air quality deterioration (PSD) state that EPA must make a preliminary determination on the approvability of a proposed modification and provide opportunity for public comment on that determination. addition, the Clean Air Act requires that if an air quality model not listed in the EPA Guideline on Air Quality Models is used in the permit application, the same opportunity for public comment must be afforded before the non-guideline model can be accepted.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of EPA's preliminary determination analysis document on the Atlantic Richfield Company/SOHIO Petroleum Company (ARCO/SOHIO) application for approval to add eleven gas turbines to the oil field facilities at Prudhoe Bay, Alaska. Also enclosed is a copy of the notice which we expect will be published in the Fairbanks News-Miner and the Anchorage Times on . The notice briefly oulines EPA's preliminary determination, advertises our intent to accept the use of the non-guideline model, and lists the locations where the ARCO/SOHIO application and EPA's preliminary determination document may be reviewed.

Following the publication of the notice, written public comments will be accepted by EPA for 30 days. A copy of all comments received will be forwarded to you immediately and will also be made available to the public at the locations listed in the notice. Additionally, a public hearing may be requested. A summary of comments made will be provided to you as soon as possible after a hearing. You may make a written response to EPA concerning any public comments made.

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We will complete our final action on your application as quickly as possible after the close of the public comment period and notify you of our determination. A copy of the final determination document will be sent to you and will also be made available at the location listed in the notice.

If you have any questions concerning either the preliminary determination analysis document or the procedures to be followed, please call Mr. Michael Johnston of my staff at (206) 442-1387.

Sincerely,

Donald P. Dubois Regional Administrator

Enclosures

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